STATE OF ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF:

STATE WIDE LENDERS

Its Officers, Directors, Partners, Employees,)

Affiliates, Successors, Agents, and Assigns

File No. 0700493

TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROHIBITION

TO THE RESPONDENT:

State Wide Lenders 1112 Lansdown Ave. Toronto, Canada, L2V-1X1

On information and belief, I, Jesse White, Secretary of State for the State of Illinois, through my designated representative, having been fully advised in the premises by the staff of the Illinois Securities Department, Office of the Secretary of State, herein find:

- 1. That Respondent, State Wide Lenders ("Respondent"), a business entity, with a last known address of 1112 Lansdown Avenue, Toronto, Canada, L2V-1X1.
- 2. That during the month of August 2007, Respondent placed an advertisement (the "Ad") in the *Lincoln Courier*, a publication in downstate Illinois which appeared as follows: "State Wide Lenders is here to help you! Low credit score? Debt problems? Need to consolidate finances? If you have a job you may qualify for a loan. Call now. 1-888-600-8795 ext 1."
- 3. That on or about August 28, 2007, Respondent, by and through its Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, offered to procure a loan for at least one (1) Illinois resident (the "Borrower") who responded to the Ad by calling the within telephone number in return for an advance fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), which was prepaid by the Borrower.
- 4. That the above-referenced business entity, Respondent, is a loan broker as that term is defined pursuant to Section 15-5.15 of the Illinois Loan Brokers Act of 1995 [815 ILCS 175/15-1 et seq.] (the "Act").
- 5. That Section 15-10 of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of loan brokering unless registered under the Act.
- 6. That Section 15-85 of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that it is prohibited under the Act for a loan broker to either directly or indirectly act as a loan broker without registration under the Act unless exempt under the Act.

- 7. That at all times relevant hereto, Respondent, its Officers, Directors, Employees, Partners, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, failed to file an application for registration as a loan broker with the Secretary of State prior to the aforementioned loan offer in the State of Illinois.
- 8. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondent, its Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, have violated Section 15-10 and/or 15-85(b) of the Act.
- 9. That Section 15-55(c) of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person has violated any provision of this Act, the Secretary of State may, by written order temporarily prohibit or suspend such person from acting as a loan broker.
- 10. That Section 15-55(d) of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that if the Secretary of State shall find any person is acting or has acted as a loan broker as defined in Section 15-5.15 of this Act, without prior thereto or at the time thereof having complied with the registration requirements of the Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit such person from acting as a loan broker in the State.
- 11. That based upon the foregoing, the Secretary of State deems it necessary, in order to prevent imminent and additional violations of the Act, and to prevent losses to investors as a result of the referenced prior violation of the Act, to enter an order pursuant to the authority granted under Section 15-55(c) and Section 15-55(d) of the Act which prohibits Respondent Financial, its Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns from acting as a loan broker in the State of Illinois.
- 12. That based upon the credible evidence available to the Secretary of State, the entry of this Temporary Order is in the public interest and is consistent with the purposes of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: pursuant to the authority granted by Section 15-55(c) and Section 15-55(d) of the Act, Respondent State Wide Lenders, its Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, are hereby PROHIBITED from engaging in the business of loan brokering in the State of Illinois until further order of the Secretary of State.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Respondent may request a hearing on this matter by transmitting such request in writing to Securities Director, Illinois Securities Department, 69 West Washington Street, Suite 1220, Chicago, Illinois 60601. Such request must be made within thirty (30) days of the date of entry of this Temporary Order. Upon receipt of a request for hearing, a hearing will be scheduled. Request for hearing will not stop the effectiveness of this

Temporary Order and will extend the effectiveness of this Temporary Order for ninety days from the date the hearing request is received by the Department.

FAILURE BY ANY RESPONDENT TO REQUEST A HEARING WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF THIS TEMPORARY ORDER SHALL CONSTITUTE AN ADMISSION OF ANY FACTS ALLEGED HEREIN AND CONSTITUTES SUFFICIENT BASIS TO MAKE THE TEMPORARY ORDER FINAL.

ENTERED: This 4th day of April, 2008.

JESSE WHITE
Secretary of State
State of Illinois

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